

# The Indiana Commission to Combat Drug Abuse



*Behavioral Health Division*

## Comprehensive Community Plan

County: Jennings

LCC Name: Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force

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## **Vision Statement**

What is your Local Coordinating Council's vision statement?

The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force seeks to empower community stakeholders by strategically facilitating, supporting, and coordinating local efforts to prevent substance misuse so that all citizens have the opportunity to reach their fullest potentials.

## **Mission Statement**

What is your Local Coordinating Council's mission statement?

With a focus on education, interventions, and support services, the mission of the Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force is to create a safe, drug free community for all.

<b>Membership List</b>					
<b>#</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Category</b>
1	Charlinda Evans	Perceptions Yoga, Mindfulness & Art/Jennings County Schools	C	F	Education/Health
2	Carla Wright	Nurse/Volunteer Harm Reductionist/Community Organizer	C	F	Health/Medical/Harm Reduction
3	Olivia Zarate	Office of Minority Health	B	F	Government/Health
4	Jacob Pickerill	Hickory Treatment Center	C	M	Treatment
5	Jacqueline Haven	Wellstone	C	F	Healthcare
6	Antonia Sawyer	Ship Happens	C	F	Harm Reduction
7	Deidre Wagster	Purdue Extension	C	F	Health/Education
8	Christina Crank	Ascension St. Vincent Jennings County	C	F	Healthcare
9	Kris Meyer	Regional Prevention Coordinator (Region 9)	C	F	Prevention
10	Berdina (Jo) Petty	SOC/Centerstone	C	F	Treatment/Health
11	Carin Hurt	Centerstone	C	F	Treatment/Health
12	Priscilla McGrew	Jennings County Council on Domestic Violence	C	F	Civic
13	Karen Henshaw	Connections IN Health	C	F	Health
14	Margo Brown	Building Blocks	C	F	Youth Services
15	Chris Abbott	Building Blocks	C	F	Youth Services
16	Heather Kirchner	Connections IN Health	C	F	Health
17	Joe Ragsdale	Groups Recover Together	C	M	Treatment/Recovery
18	Melissa Goforth	Anthem	C	F	Healthcare Insurance
19	Pam Petry	Jennings County Health Department	C	F	Public Health
20	Aliya Amin	Connections IN Health	C	F	Health

21	<b>Sarah Coleman</b>	<b>Break Free</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Religion/Substance use</b>
22	<b>Chrisanna Coleman</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Youth</b>
23	<b>Charity Bragg</b>	<b>Break Free</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Religion/Substance us</b>
24	<b>Natasha Goins</b>	<b>Jennings County Jail</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>County Jail</b>
25	<b>Abby Wells</b>	<b>Decatur Mold</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Business</b>
26	<b>Tara Hatfield</b>	<b>QSource</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
27	<b>Angelita Hendrickson</b>	<b>QSource</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
28	<b>Carey Calhoun</b>	<b>Ascension St. Vincent</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>
29	<b>Stacey King</b>	<b>Jennings County Education Center</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Education</b>
30	<b>Jo Petty</b>	<b>Centerstone</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Treatment/Health</b>
31	<b>Debi Stanton</b>	<b>North Vernon Plain Dealer and Sun</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Media</b>
32	<b>Alma Hobson</b>	<b>Firefly</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Youth Serving Organization</b>

### **LCC Meeting Schedule:**

Please provide the months the LCC meets throughout the year: The LCC meets on the first Thursday of every month.

## **II. Community Needs Assessment**

*The first step in developing an effective substance use and misuse reduction plan is to assess your community. A community assessment tells you about your community's readiness to implement prevention, treatment, and justice-related programs to address substance use and misuse. An assessment also provides an overview of the risk and protective factors present in the community, helping your coalition plan more effectively.*

### **Community Profile**

County Name  
Jennings

County Population: 27,409 (2021)

Schools in the community

1 public K-12, 1 private K-8, 1 private K-6, Jennings County Education Center

Medical care providers in the community (hospitals, health care centers, medical centers/clinics, etc.)

Ascension St. Vincent Jennings Hospital, Schneck Family Care, Jennings County Schools Health and Wellness Center, Fast Pace Health

Mental health care providers in the community (hospitals with psychiatric/behavioral health units, mental health clinics, private/public providers, etc.)

Groups, Centerstone, Southeast Mental Health Professionals, Greenbriar Professionals, Southern Indiana Parenting Solutions

Service agencies/organizations

Jennings County Health Department  
Jennings County Community Foundation  
Jennings County Lions Club  
Jennings County Kiwanis  
Jennings County United Way  
Jennings County Youth Foundation  
Jennings County Council for Domestic Violence  
Jennings County Coordinating Council  
Jennings County WIC  
Jennings County DCS  
Big Brothers Big Sisters  
Wayside Mission  
JC Women's Giving Circle  
Psi Iota Zi  
Delta Theta Tau  
Mercy Rescue  
Friends of the Muscatatuck  
Friends of Vernon  
Jennings County United Way  
Jennings County Veterans Services  
Jennings County Aging & Community  
Jennings County Economic Development Commission  
Clarity Pregnancy Services  
Jennings County System of Care  
North Vernon Parks and Rec  
Jennings County Parks  
Purdue Extension  
FLASH food program  
Jennings County Public Library

Perceptions Yoga, Mindfulness & Art
Local media outlets that reach the community WJCP Radio North Vernon Plain Dealer newspaper
What are the substances that are most problematic in your community? Opioids, methamphetamines, alcohol. Nicotine, marijuana, cocaine
List all substance use/misuse services/activities/programs presently taking place in the community Alcoholics Anonymous Celebrate Recovery Groups Centerstone Red Ribbon Week – Jennings County Schools JC Cares Recovery Rallies Potter’s House – recovery house for men Groups Recover Together Break Free Jennings

### Community Risk and Protective Factors

*Use the list of risk and protective factors to identify those present in your community. Identify the resources/assets and limitations/gaps that exist in your community related to each. The lists are not all-inclusive and others may apply.*

**Risk Factors Examples:** trauma and toxic stressors; poverty violence; neighborhood characteristics; low neighborhood attachment; community disorganization; community norms and laws favorable toward drug use, firearms, and crime; availability of alcohol and other drugs; weak family relationships; family substance use; peer substance use; mental health problems; families moving frequently from home to home; limited prevention and recovery resources.

**Protective Factors Examples:** strong family relationships; neighborhood economic viability; low childhood stress; access to health care; access to mental health care; community-based interventions; restricted access to alcohol and other drugs including restrictive laws and excise taxes; safe, supportive, and connected neighborhoods; meaningful youth engagement opportunities; local policies and practices that support healthy norms and child-youth programs; positive connection to adults.<sup>1</sup>

Risk Factors	Resources/Assets	Limitations/Gaps
1. Limited Recovery & Prevention Resources	1. Treatment facilities 2. Recovery services	1. Lack of providers

<sup>1</sup>Risk and protective factors extracted from IUPUI Center for Health Policy Community Conditions Favorable for Substance Use, April 2018.

	3. Therapeutic services	2. Lack of recovery providers and services 3. Lack of transportation
2. Socioeconomic challenges faced by many	1. Educational institutions 2. Full time jobs with benefits 3. Strong family supports and services	1. A high percentage of residents in Jennings County live in poverty. 2. A high percentage of children live in single parent households. 3. A high percentage of residents lack at least a high school degree.
3. Prevalence of poor overall health outcomes and behaviors	1. Access to affordable care providers  2. Access to positive alternative behaviors  3. Access to nutritious food	1. Lack of care providers  2. Lack of options for physical activity and healthy lifestyle behaviors  3. Lack of nutrition options and knowledge
<b>Protective Factors</b>	<b>Resources/Assets</b>	<b>Limitations/Gaps</b>
1. Recent expansion and improvements to Parks and Recreation areas	1. North Vernon Parks and Rec  2. Jennings County Parks  3. Town of Vernon	1. Lack of programs  2. Lack of coordination  3. Lack of awareness as to existence of offerings
2. Strong Community Foundation	1. Funding of local initiatives through grants and scholarships  2. Strong board  3. Community leadership	1. Lack of strategic coordination outside organization  2. Lack of awareness of overall mission and vision  3. Lack of numbers directly involved
3. School system prioritization of whole child education	1. District and building level strategic plans in place to address whole child education  2. Building level Behavioral Support Specialists in all schools  3. District level and building level whole child committees to guide the decision making process	1. Lack of funding  2. Lack of buy-in from stakeholders  3. Lack of consistency of commitment

**III. Making A Community Action Plan**

*Now that you have completed a community assessment and have identified the risk and protective factors that exist, you can develop a plan of action. The Comprehensive Community Plan (CCP) is a systematic and community-driven gathering, analysis, and reporting of community-level indicators for the purpose of identifying and addressing local substance use problems.*

Step 1: Create problem statements, and ensure problems statements are in line with statutory requirements

Step 2: Ensure your problem statements are evidence-informed, then prioritize

Step 3: Brainstorm what can be done about each

Step 4: Prioritize your list, and develop SMART goal statements for each

Step 5: List the steps to achieve each goal

### **Step 1: Create + Categorize Problem Statements**

*Create problem statements as they relate to each of the identified risk factors.*

<b>Risk Factors</b>	<b>Problem Statement(s)</b>
1. Limited recovery & prevention resources	1. Usage of illicit substances or alcohol among the youth of Jennings County is stagnant or increasing.  2. Misuse of illicit substances or alcohol in Jennings County among adults is stagnant or increasing.  3. Access to licensed health care professionals or facilities is limited within the county.
2. Socioeconomic challenges faced by many	1. High rates of children living in poverty.  2. A high percentage of residents lack at least a high school degree.  3. A high transient population living at, below, or just above the poverty line
3. Prevalence of poor overall health outcomes and behaviors	1. A high percentage of residents experience overall poor quality of life.  2. A high percentage of residents take part in risky behaviors.  3. A high percentage of residents experience underlying mental health issues.

## Step 2: Evidence-Informed Problem Statements

Identify your top three problem statements using local or state data. Ensure that there is a problem statement for each co-equal funding category (e.g., prevention/education; intervention/treatment; and criminal justice services and activities).

Problem Statements	Data That Establishes Problem	Data Source
1. Substance use disorder among the youth of Jennings County is stagnant or increasing.	In 2018-19, in a survey of approximately half of Jennings County High School students (divided into 2 groups) 20% and 25% reported using alcohol, 18% and 15% tobacco, 19% and 20% marijuana, 5% and 2% heroin, 9% and 4% pills, 4% and 2% cocaine/crack  *no updated data available for 2020-2022	Jennings County Schools – Get Schooled Tour Surveys 2018-19
2. Substance use disorder among adults in Jennings County is stagnant or increasing.	Unintentional Drug-Related Deaths (Age-Adjusted Death Rate) is 45.9 for Jennings County. 43% of Jennings County respondents to the CRH Assessment Survey said they were “personally impacted by substance misuse.” 21% responded they were “excessive drinkers.”	Columbus Regional Health Assessment 2021
3. Lack of awareness of resources and how to access those resources for mental health and substance use disorders and/or facilities that are available within the county and surrounding counties.	10.3% of Jennings County respondents reported a family member was unable to access professional help for addiction in the past year. The ratio of primary health physicians to residents in Jennings County is 2,510 to 1. The ratio of mental health professionals to residents in Jennings County is 1,070 to 1.	Columbus Regional Health Assessment 2021 County Health Rankings & Roadmaps, a program of the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute (2021)

## Step 3: Brainstorm

*Consider the resources/assets and limitations/gaps that were identified for each risk factor, and list what actions can be taken for each identified problem statement.*

Problem Statements	What can be done (action)?
1. Substance use disorder among the youth of Jennings County is stagnant or increasing. There has been a decrease regionally, however we still want to decrease the overall reported usage.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Support community-based education initiatives that are evidenced based regarding the danger and impact of substance abuse.</li> <li>2. Support and facilitate research-based resilience building interventions for youth.</li> <li>3. Facilitate data collection and strategic planning by local stakeholders.</li> </ol>
2. Misuse of illicit substances in Jennings County among adults is stagnant or increasing.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Support data collection and strategic planning by local stakeholders.</li> <li>2. Support efforts to increase harm reduction and community outreach using tertiary prevention strategies.</li> <li>3. Support and facilitate research-based education and prevention efforts to build resilience.</li> </ol>
3. Access to licensed health care professionals and/or facilities is limited within the county.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Support initiatives to improve the overall mental health of residents in Jennings County.</li> <li>2. Educate and raise awareness within the community as to the current status of the health of residents.</li> </ol>

#### **Step 4: Develop SMART Goal Statements**

*For each problem statement, prioritize your list of what can be done. Choose your top two actions for each. Then, develop goal statements that demonstrate what change you hope to achieve and by when you hope to achieve it.*

Problem Statement #1
<p>Goal 1: The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force will provide grant opportunities to support educational programming through schools, service providers that are evidence based to educate youth about dangers of substance use and misuse, therefore reducing youth prevalence rates below state average by 2024.</p>
<p>Goal 2: Promote community awareness events and partner with key stakeholders to provide public events that provide support for prevention and intervention by 2024.</p>
Problem Statement #2

<p>Goal 1: The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force will support harm reduction, anti stigma education, and evidence based family support programs.</p>
<p>Goal 2: The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force will help support mental health and substance use crisis training within the next 12 months.</p>
<p><b>Problem Statement #3</b></p>
<p>Goal 1: The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force will support an assessment of the community’s healthcare needs within the next 12 months to increase the availability of health care service awareness in Jennings and surrounding counties.</p>
<p>Goal 2: The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force will partner with and support local stakeholders to decrease the number of those unable to access substance disorder and mental health disorders treatment and care.</p>

**Step 5: Plans to Achieve Goals**

*For each goal, list the steps required to achieve each*

<b>Problem Statement #1</b>	<b>Steps</b>
<p>Goal 1: The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force will provide grant opportunities to support educational programming through schools, service providers that are evidence based to educate youth about dangers of substance use and misuse, therefore reducing youth prevalence rates below state average by 2024.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prevention/Education - Fund educational initiatives within the schools on life skills and resilience to reduce alcohol abuse.</li> <li>2. Intervention/Treatment - Fund research-based intervention programs and resources for youth at the community level.</li> <li>3. Intervention/Treatment – support data collection to determine future goals.</li> </ol>
<p>Goal 2: Promote community awareness events and partner with key stakeholders to provide public events that provide support for prevention and intervention by 2024.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prevention/Education - Fund resilience focused educational initiatives within the schools regarding the dangers of opioid (substance use/misuse).</li> <li>2. Intervention/Treatment - Fund research-based intervention programs and resources for youth at the community level.</li> <li>3. Intervention/Treatment - support and promote data collection to determine future goals.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Problem Statement #2</b></p>	<p><b>Steps</b></p>

<p>Goal 1: The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force will support harm reduction, anti stigma education, and evidence based family support programs.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prevention/Education - Fund community education and resources regarding the dangers of illicit substance usage.</li> <li>2. Intervention/Treatment - Support efforts to increase access to harm reduction and treatment services.</li> <li>3. Justice Services/Supports – Connect local law enforcement officials with training to raise awareness as to substance abuse treatment options, harm reduction with the community , stigma and language matters education, and best practices.</li> </ol>
<p>Goal 2: The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force will help support mental health and substance use crisis training within the next 12 months.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prevention/Education - support research-based trauma informed care/mental health training.</li> <li>2. Prevention/Education – support the training of additional local trainers for a train the trainer model.</li> <li>3. Prevention/Education – support and promote anti-stigma awareness and trauma informed education.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Problem Statement #3</b></p>	<p><b>Steps</b></p>
<p>Goal 1: The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force will support an assessment of the community’s healthcare needs within the next 12 months to increase the availability of health care service awareness in Jennings and surrounding counties.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Initiate subcommittees.</li> </ol>
<p>Goal 2: The Jennings County Drug and Alcohol Task Force will partner with and support local stakeholders to decrease the number of those unable to access substance disorder and mental health disorders treatment and care.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prevention/Education - Support efforts to raise awareness within the community as to available resources.</li> <li>2. Justice Services/Supports – Work with local law enforcement to connect drug users with proper care providers.</li> <li>3. Intervention/Treatment - Work with local agencies to help expand or grow available services and resources.</li> </ol>

## IV. Fund Document

The fund document allows the LCC to provide finances available to the coalition at the beginning of the year. The fund document gauges an LCC's fiscal wellness to empower their implementation of growth within their community. The fund document also ensures LCCs meet the statutory requirement of funding programs within the three categories of (1) Prevention/Education, (2) Treatment/Intervention, and (3) Criminal Justice Services and Activities (IC 5-2-11-5).

Funding Profile		
<b>1</b>	Amount deposited into the County DFC Fund from fees collected last year:	\$20,993.58
<b>2</b>	Amount of unused funds from last year that will roll over into this year:	\$7,992.50
<b>3</b>	Total funds available for programs and administrative costs for this year (Line 1 + Line 2):	\$28,986.08
<b>4</b>	Amount of funds granted last year:	\$0
Additional Funding Sources (if no money is received, please enter \$0.00)		
<b>A</b>	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA):	\$0.00
<b>B</b>	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):	\$0.00
<b>C</b>	Bureau of Justice Administration (BJA):	\$0.00
<b>D</b>	Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP):	\$0.00
<b>E</b>	Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH):	\$0.00
<b>F</b>	Indiana Department of Education (DOE):	\$0.00
<b>G</b>	Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA):	\$0.00
<b>H</b>	Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA):	\$0.00
<b>I</b>	Local entities:	\$0.00
<b>J</b>	Other:	\$0.00
Categorical Funding Allocations		
Prevention/Education: \$7,246.52	Intervention/Treatment: \$7,246.52	Justice Services: \$7,246.52
Funding allotted to Administrative costs:		
<i>Itemized list of what is being funded</i>		<i>Amount (\$100.00)</i>
Coordinator compensation		\$6,746.52
Office supplies		\$500.00
Funding Allocations by Goal per Problem Statement:		
<b>Problem Statement #1</b>	<b>Problem Statement #2</b>	<b>Problem Statement #3</b>
Goal 1: \$3,623.26	Goal 1: \$3,985.59	Goal 1: \$2000.00

Goal 2: \$3,623.26	Goal 2: \$3,260.93	Goal 2: \$5,246.52
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